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AUDIENCE CAPTIVATED BY FROST'S READINGS

Robert Frost, dean of Ameripoets and distinguished guest of the College, completely captivated the capacity audience when he read his poems Monday night, May 9, in the College auditorium. Mr. Frost's personality, together with his shrewd comments on poets, teaching, and politicians, immediately made him extremely popular, and as he read the poems that had made him world famous, the appreciative audience cheered and acclaimed their approval of the venerable poet.

"Death of the Hired Man, "Birches", "The Mountain", "The Pasture Spring", "Blueberries", and

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EDGERLY SIXTH GRADES VISIT GOV. HURLEY

On Tuesday, April 26, the sixth grades of Edgerly School visited Governor Hurley at the State House in Boston.

The history of this interesting and educational trip can be traced back to September of last year. It was then that the children decided that they should raise some money for a class fund to be used later in some group enterprise which should be instructive and at the same time enjoyable. The children did raise a considerable sum of money in a unique way. They brought in old magazines and newspapers from home, and when they had amassed a large amount they sold them to a local dealer. Now that the children

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SATURDAY TO BE A DAY FOR RENEWING OLD FRIENDSHIPS

PROGRAM TO INCLUDE BANQUET AND DANCE

FIRST MALE GRADUATE TO SPEAK AT BANQUET

Two hundred and fifty alumni have signified their intentions of attending the annual Alumni Reunion to be held at the Fitchburg Teachers College, tomorrow, May 14.

Present as well as former faculty members have been invited and it is expected that everyone will be present at this year's reunion. The oldest member of the faculty who will return is Mr. Preston Smith, who retired last year as head of the science department.

The Classes of 1898, 1903, 1908, 1913, 1918, 1923, 1928, and 1933 are celebrating special anniversaries. A large attendance is inevitable according to latest reports from the invitation committees from each class, which have been working with the executive committee on arrangements.

The program this year promises to be most interesting. The Class of 1913 promises to keep things alive with its original offerings for which it was noted in its college days. A song festival

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RESULTS OF ELECTION

ELLEN DORMIN, PRES. W. DONOVAN, VICE PRES. RUTH LAGSDIN, SEC. AUBREY HASTINGS, TREAS.

O'SHEASY, MURPHY HEAD OF MOHAWKS NEXT YEAR

The Mohawk Club held a special meeting Tuesday, May 10, at 7:30 p.m. The meeting was for the purpose of holding election and was held at Coggshall Park. Refreshments followed the meeting.

The following officers were elected for next year:

President, Edward O'Sheasy; Vice-President, Leonard Murphy; Secretary, Walter Harrod; Treasurer, Henry Koskciusko; Alumni Secretary, William Donovan.

THE WEEK'S SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK OF

May 16th to 21st

Monday

3:00—Baseball Practice

Tuesday

11:00—Assembly 12:40—Intramural Board Meeting

2:30—Julia Caesar Production

4:00—Girls' Softball

Wednesday

2:30—Tennis—New Britian vs. F. T. C. Here

3:00—Baseball—A. I. C. vs. F. T. C. Here

Thursday

11:00—Assembly

2:30—Shakespearean Play

Assembly

3:00—Baseball—Lowell Textile vs. F. T. C. Here

6:00-W. A. A. Banquet

Friday

2:30—Tennis—Boston College vs. F. T. C. Here

Saturday

2:30—Tennis—Salem T. C. vs. F. T. C. Away



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EDITORIAL COUNCIL ELECTION

This year's council election more than any previous election is important from the point of view of the welfare of the student body. For this the reason is twofold: First, the revolutionary change in our government system will tax to the limit the ingenuity and the strength of the officers. And our judgment of the its new system. power's weakness for all time, perhaps its continuance or failure, will be dependent on how well it functions during its first year.

We have an obligation to ourselves and to those who will come after us to think carefully before we mark our ballots, to consider which candidates are suited for the almost superhuman challenges of officership during the coming year. We must seek ability for adaption which will enable the change to be made easily and smoothly, to avoid loss of the good of our present systems we must look for someone who has a complete understanding of all affairs.

THE ASH TRAY

Bernie Roth

Our literature teacher, who, among other things is solicitous about our reading speed, called recently to our attention that there are "a dozen students in every class who lumber clumsily over printed pages like a Model T Ford with magneto lights on a country road in the dead of a moonless night." We thought the comment picturesque and probably quite true. Your cruising speed in English is, after all, well worth thinking about, and attempting to develop. Especially when you consider that modern novelists appear to have the notion that a success under a thousand pages is an impossibility. One of our favorite exercises, which you might try, is to read the first and last pages of a book then, to some patient friend, try to brief the book orally while flipping through the leaves. It's a fine way to shake the cobwebs out of the imagination also.

To those of us who live such a conveniently short distance from Boston, we should like to make a recommendation. Visit this truly beautiful old city as much as you can. We invaded the Public Garden there a few days ago, and found as we always do, a source of inspiration. It was a rainy day and the skies were dull lead color but there was a happy note reawakening in the blossom on the tulip trees, the slippery new-born grass, and the pleasant whirr of pigeon's wings throng the air. Workers were setting out flowers, and trimming the walks, and a wagon-load of benches rattled slowly by. To us who've spent some of the happiest years of our life in Boston we cannot commend her too highstudent ly. To us she's always seemed somewhat of a fine old lady:

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Edgerly Trip

had the money, naturally they wanted to utilize its benefits as soon as possible so Constance Woodward, one of Miss Wingate's pupils, wrote a letter to Governor Hurley expressing their desire to meet such an important executive. Imagine the thrill and anticipation which the children experienced when the Governor, in a telegram, said that he would be indeed pleased to meet children of citizens of our States.

The great day arrived, and the children, garbed in their Sunday best, were at the school long before the time arrived to leave. Finally the hands of the clock did reach 8:00 A.M. and the children, Miss Wingate, Miss Dormin, Mr. Ciavola, and Mr. Gearn took their places in the bus and the trip was on. Soon the great city of Boston was reached and after a visit to the Museum of Fine Arts, the children were received by the Governor at high noon. Our leading state official shook the hand of everyone and — well, let's let the children tell you about it.

MUSEUM OF FINE ARTS

The first thing the sixth grade visited was The Museum of Fine Arts. We went into three rooms. One was the Egyptian room, another the Roman room, and last the Greek room. In the Egyptian room we saw three Egyptian tian mummies. The mummies are bound and put in boxes and then put into tombs. We also saw various kinds of Egyptian Art.

The Roman room was very interesting. We saw many pictures of Romans. There was an unknown statue which some people call Julius Caesar. We don't know who he really is. He was wonderfully carved. We saw a chariot and bed of a Roman queen. The seat and bed was trimmed with

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MEN'S SPORTS

TENNIS-

Bridgewater Defeated 5-4

This match was filled with excitement from start to finish. Play was started at 3:30 and it was 8:30 before the final point had been scored. The teams went into the doubles tied in games 3 to 3. Braconier and Pearson won their match giving Fitchburg the lead. Then Guilfoil and Captain Pettee lost their match tying the score once again. In the shadows of nightfall Creamer and Coach O'Sheasy came through in championship style for Fitchburg when they clinched the match with a 6-4, 5-7, 6-2 victory.

Singles:

C. Show (B) won from R. Creamer (F) 9-7, 6-4.

O'Sheasy (F) won from E. Skahill (B) 6-4, 8-6.

J. Tobin (B) won from J. Guilfoil (F) 6-4, 4-6, 6-1.

J. Murphy (B) won from T.Pettee (F) 6-0, 6-2.

A. Braconier (F) won from B. McGee (B) 5-7, 6-2, 8-6.

R. Pearson (F) won from E. Sevasac (B) 6-0, 6-2.

Doubles:

R. Creamer and O'Sheasy (F) won from C. Show and B. Mc-Gee (B) 6-4, 5-7, 6-2.

Skahill and Warner (B) defeated Pettee and Guifoyle (F) 6-2, 2-6, 6-4.

Braconier and Pearson defeated Cloutier and Savage (B) 6-3,6—0.

R. I. S. E. loses 6-1

The varsity tennis team took its second victory Wednesday afternoon when it defeated the Rhode Island School of Education 6 to 1.

All of the matches were hard being fought but at no time in the frey. games was the Fitchburg team Standard pressed.

O'Sheasy, Braconier, and Pearson played good games against their opponents and the latter two combined to take the R. I. S. E. No. 1 double team.

Singles

Scores:

O'Sheasy (F.) defeated Constock (R.) 6-3, 6-3.

Braconier (F.) defeated King (R.) 6-4, 6-0.

Byron (R.) defeated Godek (F.) 7-5, 6-4.

Pearson (F.) defeated Hitlerick (R.) 6-2, 6-4.

Guilfoile (F.) defeated Kitchen (R.) 6-4, 6-1.

Doubles

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O'Sheasy and Pettee (F.) defeated Constock and Byron (R.) 6-3, 8-6.

A. I. C. — 5 F. T. C. — 4

On Friday, May 6th, during vacation week, Fitchburg's tennis team started their season when they journeyed to Springfield where they were defeated by American International College by the score of 4 to 5 in a very and exciting close match.

Baseball Sidelights

Fitchburg's baseball team is showing much improvement this season over last year. Although up to date they haven't won a game, their fielding and batting has been improving rapidly.

As yet the team is lacking a player with a strong arm. Bresnahan showed good form against the heavy artillery from Keene Normal and he broke some sort of record when he lasted the full nine innings.

to 1. The only change in the team's lineup is first base which is now All of the matches were hard being held down by Coach Jefought but at no time in the frey.

Stan English the team's Center Fielder, deserves much credit on

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his outstanding fielding. He played an exceptionally good game against the Keene Teachers when he robbed them of two sure hits by making two spectacular catches.

The team's next game is tomorrow afternoon when they journey to New Britain Connecticut to play the New Britain Teachers. The team can't be judged to rashly on their previous games and if the breaks are with them they are bound to break away from their losing streak.

W.A.A. BANQUET

An Athletic Association Banquet superior to any planned here-to-fore will be attended by the majority of the women students next Thursday evening, May 19, at the Hotel Raymond. The biggest feature of this annual get-together is the presentation of the awards, when there will be more blazers, pins, and monograms given this year than have been received before.

Miss Josephine A. Cogan, a teacher at the Horace Mara School of Boston, and also at Sargent College, is to be the guest speaker, with the subject "Rhythm". Miss Cogan is well known in athletic circles having done considerable work in Recreation, and on the Boston Board of Basketball Officials for several years.

The following attractive and appetizing menu has been planned by Mary Hanifan: Fresh Fruit Orange Basket, Roast Native Chicken, Golden Brown Potatoes, Fancy Green Peas, Fresh Vegetable Salad. Strawberry Shortcake, and Coffee.

The entertainment, which has been planned by Lois White, is varied and original, supplemented by the usual group singing.

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will feature its entertainment. One hundred members of this class are expected.

The Class of 1928 which anticipates a large attendance was the first to be graduated under President Herlihy and Dean Bradt. Thomas Carrigan, president of this class, will give a brief account of the graduates of 1928. During the banquet "The Parade of 1928" will come. During dance intermission "Good Medicine" will be given by this ten-year-old class.

The following executive committee has been working in conjunction with the class officers and class invitations committees to guarantee the success of this year's get-together: President, Mrs. Herbert E. Cooke (Gertrude Rich), Vice-Presidents—Miss Grace Wray, Miss Mary B. Mullen, and Mr. Charles A. Andrews, and Secretary-Treasurer—Miss Maud A. Goodfellow.

The Classes of 1897 an 1898 will be well represented at the Alumni Reunion, tomorrow.

Eight members of the Class of 1897 and nine members of the Class of 1898 will be present. Considering the apparently small size of these classes and the time that has elapsed since their graduation, the attendance proves to be a large one.

- 2:30 4:15 P. M. Reunions of classes celebrating special anniversaries. Roll calls, reminiscences.
- 4:15 5:15 P. M. Promptly at 4:15 there will be an informal gathering in the library to meet former and present faculty members. Graduates of all classes are urged to be present at this meeting.
- 6:15 P. M. Banquet in Palmer Hall and Gymnasium. Singing and Speaking at the tables.
- 8:30 11:30 P.M. Dance in library, including old fashioned and modern dancing,

(Virginia Reel, Tucker, Liberty Waltz, Blue Danube Waltz). At intermission, 10.00 P. M., "Good Medicine" will be given by the Class of 1928.

Mr. Frank Andrews, the first man to be graduated from the Fitchburg Teachers College, will be one of the principal speakers at the banquet to be held in conjunction with the Alumni Reunion.

He is a member of the Class of 1898 and is now principal of a large school in Worcester.

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Frost Lecture

other poems with Mr. Frost's explanations made a delightful program. A keen sense of humor and an attractive philosophy aided in making the guest a favorite, and the audience demanded that he respond to three encores.

Bernard Roth, representing the Gavaleers and Mohawks who sponsored the program, welcomed the visitors who came from eighteen towns and schools and then introduced the three time Pulitzer Prize winner. After the lecture, Mr. Frost autographed many volumes of his poems, and met a few friends. From the Teachers College, Mr. Frost went to Phillip's Academy at Andover.

The men's organizations are receiving congratulations on all hands on their presenting Mr. Frost and also on having the largest audience for any production given in recent years.

The college students have been fortunate in being able to hear in the last year the three great American poets; Frost, Sandburg, and Coffin.

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GROVE STREET BOOK SHOP

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gold. In the Greek room we saw many Greek vases and jewels. There were many Greek statues also. We saw an ivory snake goddess which was supposed to be broken into hundreds of pieces and put back together again. It was very beautiful.

Lunch and a Visit to the State House

We enjoyed a very appetizing lunch at Gilchrist's and had fine service. We could have our choice of roast beef or cream chicken with milk, jello, or cake. We finished lunch about five minutes past twelve. We then were very excited for we had an appointment with the Governor of Massachusetts. We felt highly honored and greatly privileged to meet such a busy and important man.

As we walked up the State House steps we saw statues of Horace Mann and General Hooker. As we passed by the rooms we saw many interesting paintings and the flags with bloodstains that were carried through our past wars.

We then went up the stairs to the second floor where we were to meet the Governor. As we walked into the reception hall we saw pictures of former governors. We then went into the governor's private office where he spoke to all and gave us a pamphlet containing the History of the State House, the Governors, and things of interest.

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